

Descanso Planning Group Minutes for Regular March 18, 2010 Meeting

Date, Time and Place: March 18, 2010 @ 7:00PM @ the Descanso Town Hall,
24536 Viejas Grade, Descanso, CA 91916

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00PM
2. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum
 1. Rachel Antle
 2. Jo Ellen Quinting *absent*
 3. Deirdre Carter
 4. John Elliott
 5. Michael Sterns
 6. Cathy Prazma
 7. Don Hickle
 8. Claudia White *absent*
 9. Terry Gibson
3. Approval of Minutes from June, August, September and February Regular Meetings. ***Approval of February minutes with corrections. Terry/Don. VOTE 6-0-0-3***
4. Correspondence and Announcements: Sent General Plan Update initial draft Zoning Consistency Review comments to DPLU and letter supporting historic designation of Highway 94 to Joel Anderson and Assembly Members on the Transportation Committee.
5. Prioritization of this Meeting's Agenda Items
6. New Business
 - A. **Planning Commission General Plan Update Hearings:** Discussion and recommendation regarding planning commission staff reports including but not limited to Forest Conservation Initiative process and Equity Mechanisms. ***Michael attended and reported that the FCI will not be included in the General Plan Update. Equity Mechanisms are supported but are challenged by feasible implementation. See link to General Plan Update at: http://www.sdcountry.ca.gov/dplu/gpupdate/docs/pc_feb10_all.pdf***
 - B. **Park Land Dedication Ordinance Funds:** Discussion and recommendation regarding method of allocating Park Land Dedication Ordinance funds in the Central Mountain region as requested by member Quinting. ***Postponed***
 - C. **Planning Group Training:** Discussion of training scheduled for planning group members. ***Michael reported that all members must attend training and reviewed date, locations, and times.***
 - D. **2010 Priorities and Subcommittee Planning:** Review 2009 DPG accomplishments, discuss 2010 priorities and establish 2010 Subcommittees membership. ***Postponed***
7. Old Business
 - A. **Community Park Subcommittee Report:** Report from subcommittee for a community park in Descanso. Approval of a new 5 year Park Project Priority List for the expenditure of Park Land Dedication Ordinance Funds. ***Terry reported on the progress of grants and planning of joint-use Community Park on Mt. Empire USD land. Report included community request that a toddler playground be established on existing unused land between school and library.***
 - B. **Descanso Trails:** Discussion of funding options and process to implement the trails plan. ***No discussion.***
8. Open Discussion/Presentation from the Floor. Any member of the public may address the Group on topics pertaining to planning, zoning and land use, which does not appear elsewhere in this agenda. No Group action is permitted on items not on the agenda in accordance with the Brown Act. Speakers will be allowed 3 minutes. ***Billie Jo offered names of possible funding sources. 1) Alpine/Mt. Empire Chamber of Commerce, 2) rural Economic Action League. Rachel Antle reported on wind generation project.***
9. Request for Agenda Items on Upcoming Agendas. ***Terry would like a special meeting to address the proposed State Park equestrian campground. Meeting was set for March 25th at 5:00PM at the Descanso County Library.***

10. Approval of Expenditures/Expenses and Treasurer's Report. **\$318.22**
11. Announcement of Next Meeting: April 15, 2010 @ 7:00PM.
12. Adjournment at **8:23 PM**